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MEDICAL PROFESSION OBSERVES MINERS' DAY

Medical personnel from all over the USSR have contributed their efforts towards a successful celebration of Miners' Day. Personnel of the medical aid station at the "Oktyabr'skaya Revolyutsiya" mine are capable of giving miners all types of services, including paraffinotherapy, massages, and tuberculosis prophylaxis. Several underground first-aid posts have been organized at the "Kochegarka" mine, largest mine in the Gorlovka region. Recently construction was completed on facilities for the manufacture of aerested water, which is now being supplied to all miners at Kochegarka.

The various Institutes of Plastic Surgery and Orthopedics have appleved new standards for the care of miners. Recently the Central Institute of Traumatology and Orthopedics dispatched special teams to Karaganda and Tula which briefed the doctors stationed at various mine medical aid stations in the techniques of modern therapy and surgery. The Novosibirsk Institute for Plastic Surgery and Orthopedics has organized a special group which makes regular trips' to medical aid stations in and around the Kuznetsk coal fields.

Workers at medical aid stations organized at Kemerovo mines completed preparing their installations for winter operations as their contribution to the calebration of Miners' Day.

A 110-bed hospital is being completed at mine Wo 10. A rest home capable of serving 30 patients will be constructed in the near future at "Cherta-1" mine, Belovugol' Trust.

The Laboratory of Eygiene and Safety of Miners, West Siberian Affiliate of the Academy of Sciences USSR, has designed a special chamber where miners may obtain the benefits of artificial sunlight. Tests have shown that miners who make use of this chamber have been ill less than those who do not avail themselves of the service. The same laboratory has developed a special device for washing miners' boots and a special hat, manufactured from valcanized paper, which is both light and waterproof and affords excellent protection for the miners' heads.

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